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RE: MUR 5600
The Honorable John D. Dingell

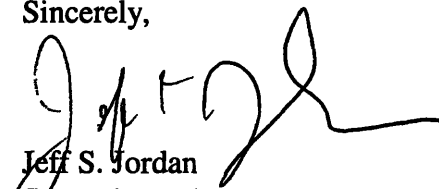
Dear Mr. Bauer and Ms. Gordon:

This is in response to your letter dated November 23, 2004, which we received on that day, requesting an extension of until January 5, 2005, to respond to the complaint in the above-noted matter.

Considering the Federal Election Commission's responsibilities to act expeditiously in the conduct of investigations, the Office of General Counsel cannot grant your full request, but can only agree to an extension until January 3, 2005. Accordingly, the response is due by close of business on January 3, 2005.

If you have any questions, please contact me on our toll-free telephone number, (800) 424-9530. Our local telephone number is (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,


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